

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A golf club grip alignment apparatus comprising a body having a generally cylindrical shape:
 - a first portion including a tab extending radially from said body and having a longitudinal axis generally parallel to the longitudinal axis of the body, said tab having a surface adapted to receive a thumb ;
 - a second portion having a recessed seat adapted to receive an index finger;
 - a hinge connecting said first portion to said second portion; and
 - ~~a tab extending from at least one of said first portion and said second portion~~said body being sized to removably attach to an elastomeric golf club grip.
2. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 1, wherein said second portion defines an opening.
3. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 2, wherein the opening is substantially elliptical.
4. (Canceled).
5. (Canceled).
6. (Currently Amended) The golf grip alignment device of claim 1, wherein said ~~tab includes a~~ surface is ~~concave surface.~~
7. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 1, further comprising an attachment mechanism to selectively attach said first portion to said second portion.
8. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 7, wherein said attachment mechanism includes components attached to said tab.

9. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 1, further comprising an indicator disposed on at least one of said first and second portion.

10. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 9, wherein said indicator comprises an arrow.

11. (Currently Amended) The golf grip alignment device of claim 1, further comprising a protuberance disposed adjacent the opening recessed seat, said protuberance shaped to accommodate a bent index finger.

12. (Canceled).

13. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 1, further comprising slip resisting members extending from an inner surface of said first portion.

14. (Currently Amended) A golf grip alignment device comprising a body adapted to fit ~~onto~~ over a golf club grip and including ~~wherein the body includes a tab adapted to receive a thumb~~ extending from the body and a recessed seat adapted to receive an index finger on a generally opposed side of the body from said tab, wherein a remainder of a hand is substantially not in contact with said device ~~the tab includes a surface adapted to receive a golfer's thumb and the seat is adapted to receive at least one of the golfer's fingers.~~

15. (Canceled).

16. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 14, wherein the seat defines an opening in said body.

17. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 14, further comprising an indicator disposed adjacent the tab.

18. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 16, wherein said body has a substantially cylindrical configuration.

19. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 16, further comprising an attachment mechanism that selectively attaches a first portion of said body to a second portion of said body.

20. (Original) The golf grip alignment device of claim 16, further comprising a hinge that attaches a first portion of said body to a second portion of said body.

21. (New) A golf grip alignment device consisting of a generally cylindrical body, a first index finger receiving portion, a second thumb receiving protuberance portion, said first portion and said second portion being separated by a hinge mechanism, and a means for joining said first portion and said section portion to attach said device to a golf club.